

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's Office Action of April 15, 2009 issued in relation to the present Patent Application, the Applicants submit Amendments to the claims, and the below Remarks.

Claims 1, 6, 7, and 19-25 are presented for examination. Claim 1 is an independent claim.

All claims previously withdrawn from consideration have been cancelled from the application.

Regarding 35 USC 103 Rejections

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Silverbrook (US 6,612,240) in view of Michalik (US 5,469,788).

Claims 1, 6, 7 and 19-25 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Silverbrook (US 2002/0093569) in view of Silverbrook (US 6,612,240), and further in view of Michalik (US 5,469,788).

Claim 1 has been amended to define the digital photofinishing system as further including a guillotine mounted to the slit, the guillotine being selectively actuatable to cut the print media at selected intervals. Neither of the references US 2002/0093569, US 6,612,240 and US 5,469,788 teach or suggest the combination defined in claim 1.

Accordingly, Claim 1 is allowable. Claims 2, 3, 6, 7 and 19 are dependent on allowable claim 1, and are allowable for at least that reason.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,



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